The Secret Lake

This was Evie's first trip to the lake. Molly had brought her along. She wanted to show Evie her favourite place to swim. It was a secret place that Molly hadn't shared with many other people.

"How did you find this place?" Evie asked as they walked.

"My parents brought me here when I was younger," Molly replied.

"My legs are getting tired," Evie said, stepping over a fallen log.

"It's worth the walk, trust me," said Molly.

Having just passed the small stream, Molly knew they were now almost there. Not many people visited the lake, so the path was overgrown. Only a faint track was visible. Vines hung low overhead and tree branches dangled awkwardly, forcing the girls to duck and weave.

Molly reached the clearing first. Evie was close behind. Molly pointed to the lake.

"Wow!" Evie gasped. "The lake is beautiful!"

The girls dropped their bags at the water's edge and waded into the cool water. Molly laid back in the shallow water and closed her eyes. She could hear the sound of birds in the distance. Molly smiled. She loved how peaceful it was.

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Task A: Comprehension

1. How did Molly know that they were almost there?

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2. Who saw the lake first?

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3. How did Molly first find the secret lake?

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4. Which word from the text means 'unclear'?

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5. Why was the path to the lake overgrown?

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6. What do you think Molly liked so much about the lake?

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7. What do you think the girls had with them in their bags? Make a list.

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Task B: Language and Grammar

1. Edit the following passage for full stops, capital letters and spelling.
Rewrite it correctly.

after a while, molly lookd at her watch she told evie it was time to go they packed up their things and walked back along the parth

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2. Antonyms are words that have opposite meanings. Eg. '**over**' and '**under**'.
Search the text for **antonyms** of the following words:

a. finished- __ __ __ __ __   **b.** noisy- __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __

c. lose- __ __ __ __   **d.** large- __ __ __ __ __

Task C: Challenge

Draw a map showing the way to the secret lake!